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MAYOR BALLARD ANNOUNCES TOXAWAY DAY EVENT

RESIDENTS ENCOURAGED TO PROPERLY DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

INDIANAPOLIS – As part of efforts to make Indianapolis one of the most sustainable, livable cities in the Midwest, the City of Indianapolis is sponsoring ToxAway Day from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, August 11, at Butler University's Hinkle Fieldhouse.

"I encourage Marion County residents to properly dispose of all of their unwanted and unused household hazardous waste," said Mayor Greg Ballard. "ToxAway Day is part of the City's ToxDrop program, which has kept more than 1 million pounds of waste out of the City's sewers, waterways and landfills annually."

Through periodic ToxAway Day events and year-round collection site locations, the ToxDrop Program has made significant advancements to help residents properly and safely dispose of household hazardous waste. Without proper disposal the pollutants could endanger human health and environment. Examples of ToxDrop materials include antifreeze, batteries, brake fluid, drain cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs, glue and adhesives, household thermometers, paints, paint thinner, pesticides, pool chemicals, toilet bowl cleaners, used motor oil and gasoline.

Please visit www.indy.gov/toxdrop to learn more about the City's ToxDrop Program and what is acceptable at the ToxAway Day event.

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